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SUBJECT: TA KUNG PAO REVEALS DEATH OF LIU SHAO-CHI

1. PRC MEDIA HAS REVEALED FOR THE FIRST TIME THE DEATH OF CHIEF CULTURAL REVOLUTION TARGET AND FORMER CHIEF OF STATE LIU SHAO-CHI. TA KUNG PAO'S WEEKLY ENGLISH EDITION, IN A COLUMN OFTEN USED TO EXPLAIN CURRENT PRC POLICY LINES MENTIONED IT IN COMMENTING ON AN ARTICLE IN RED FLAG (NO 10) DEVOTED TO THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE CULTURAL REVOLUTION. THE FULL SENTENCE READS: "LIU SHAO-CHI AND LIN BIAO ARE DEAD PHYSICALLY AS WELL AS POLITICALLY."

2. COMMENT. EXAMINATION OF THE ORIGINAL RED FLAG ARTICLE REVEALS NO SUCH LINE AND IT IS DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE WHY THIS PARTICULAR VENUE WAS USED TO REVEAL INFORMATION WHICH HAS LONG BEEN THE SUBJECT OF SPECULATION.

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